

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation****Federal Tax ID: 92-0041414****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation - Sobering Center

State Funding Requested: \$475,000
One-Time Need**House District: 38 / S****Brief Project Description:**

The facility will be for up to 16 inebriates to become sober in a warm and safe environment with access to treatment. It will significantly decrease the inebriate custody loads at both the Yukon Kuskokwim Correctional Center and Bethel Hospital Emergency Department.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$1,975,000**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Federal Funds	\$0		\$0		\$0	
State Funds	\$1,500,000	2009			\$0	
Denali Commission	\$0		\$0		\$0	
Rasmuson Foundation	\$0		\$0		\$0	
Local Funds	\$0		\$0		\$0	
Other Funds	\$0		\$0		\$0	
Total	\$1,500,000					

Detailed Project Description and Justification:**Project Description:**

Through treatment, prevention and education tactics that keep inebriates and the public safe, the Center is aligned and executing the State of Alaska's priority, "Choose Respect—Alaskans Ending the Epidemic of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault."

A 3,000 sq. ft. "sleep off center" for up to 16 inebriates where they can be safely observed. It will also serve as the base of operations and dispatch facility for the local community service patrols.

It will include a client toilet room, staff restroom with shower, staff laundry, three offices, utility room, janitor closet, staff break and storage rooms.

Project Justification:

A partnership with the City of Bethel, Bethel Police Department, Bethel Community Services Foundation, Yukon Kuskokwim Correctional Center, Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services and

\$475,000
Approved

the Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation.

Bethel has the highest per capita rate of inebriates in protective custody (20% of protective custody holds statewide).

The 9 bed Emergency Department (ED) at the Bethel hospital is regularly overloaded with monitoring protective custody patients causing long wait-times for other patients.

To relieve overcrowding at both the YKHC ED and the Yukon Kuskokwim Correctional Center caused by inebriates, Bethel needs a Sobering Center that keeps inebriates safe and offers treatment opportunities.

YKHC will own and operate the Sobering Center. Until the facility is complete, YKHC reallocated existing space within the hospital and allocated additional staff for surges.

In fy 2009 YKHC received a \$1,500,000 State of Alaska Legislative Grant for capital construction costs.

This \$475,000 capital request is for additional construction costs, such as, sprinkler and surveillance systems, furniture, fixtures and equipment.

Project Timeline:

If fully funded in FY 2011, construction could begin by the fall of 2010 and be finished by fall of 2011. Expenditures could begin in late spring of 2010.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No